

the EPISCOPAL CHURCH in WESTERN OREGON

The Rt. Rev. Diana D. Akiyama, Bishop

June 1, 2023

To: The Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church

The Secretary of the House of Bishops

The Secretary of the House of Deputies

The Bishops of the Episcopal Church

The Ecclesiastical Authority of Diocese without Bishops

The Recorder of Ordinations

The Church Pension Fund

The Transition Office of the Episcopal Church

The Clergy of the Diocese of Oregon

The Vestries/Bishop's Committees of the Diocese of Oregon

The Secretary of Convention of the Diocese of Oregon

The Standing Committee of the Diocese of Oregon

Notice of Release and Removal Title III, Canon 9, Section 9

In accordance with provision of Title III.9.9 of the Constitutions and Canons of the Episcopal Church, I hereby give notice that with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Oregon, I have released and removed

The Rev. Matthew David Morris

Effective as of June 1, 2023, following his request dated May 9, 2023, and being satisfied that this request was made of his own free will and he is acting voluntarily.

I pronounce him to be released and removed from the ordained Ministry of this Church and from the obligation's attendant thereto, and is deprived of the right to exercise in The Episcopal Church, the gifts and spiritual authority, as a Minister of God's Word and Sacraments conferred in Ordination. The foregoing removal and release is not for causes which affect his moral character.

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